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## Tropico Mercantile Company

BE HAPPY. Put sunshine, gladness into your "GOOD MORNING" your "HELLO THERE" your "GOOD NIGHT." Let your "GOOD BYE," your "GOOD LUCK," come with a merry ring and your "THANK YOU" fairly bubbling over with appreciation.

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50c, 60c and 75c. These are Oregon Apples. These are Oregon Apples.

CHRISTMAS TOYS and decorations. In fact Christmas Gifts.

CHRISTMAS CANDY 15c and 25c lb.

OUR BEST MIXED NUTS 20c lb.

OUR BEST ALMONDS, Pecans, Brazils and Filberts, 25c lb.

OUR BEST WALNUTS and Chestnuts 20c lb.

NAVEL ORANGES 20c, 30c and 25c doz.

FANCY TABLE LAYER RAISINS 15c lb.

Grape fruit 35c doz.

**REMEMBER** We close ALL DAY Monday Dec. 25, Christmas day.

**ASPARAGUS** It's peeled, and the finest quality packed, large cans, 75c.

**SKIN'S PEAS** Columbine and 15c can.

Empson's peas, Apex brand 2 cans for 25c.

String Beans, our best 20c can.

Lima Beans, 15c can.

Maine Tender Sweet Corn, 2 cans for 25c.

Iowa Corn Solid Pack, 3 cans for 25c.

Tomatoes, Solid Pack, large cans, 2 for 25c.

Tomatoes, Standards, 3 cans for 25c.

**WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.**

**CANNED CRAB** A delicious salad meat, large cans, 25c.

**LOBSTER** 25c can.

Canned Shrimps, 2 cans for 25c.

Canned Oysters, extra fine quality, 2 cans for 25c.

Fancy Cauliflower, 2 for 15c.

Fancy Celery, 2 for 15c.

Head Lettuce, 2 for 5c.

Carrots, Beets, Turnips, 3 bunches for 10c.

Imported Figs, 20c lb. Persian dates, 2lbs for 25c. Candy figs, 20c lb. Bananas, 25c doz.

**WELCH'S GRAPE JUICE**, pints, 25c; qts, 45c.

**DOLDS PINEAPPLE JUICE**, 10c and 25c a bottle.

Beifuier Apples, 6 lbs for 25c, \$1.30 a box.

Utah Jonathan Apples, 4 lbs for 25c, \$2.50 a box.

Best Mince Meat, 17c lb.

None Such or Atmore's Mince Meat, 3 pkgs for 25c.

Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 2 qts for 25c.

**SWEET CIDER**, 35c gallon.

**WE HAVE ADDED AN AUTO TO OUR DELIVERY.** Our aim is to give you prompt service. IF YOU ARE seeking to obtain the Highest Possible Value for your money, "Give us a trial." **WE KNOW** our merchandise is right, and our whole force who are working to make this organization such a success, are enthusiastic with the qualities and values we offer. We feel confident you will be.

## TROPICO Mercantile Co.

Cor. San Fernando Road and Central Avenue

Telephones  
Glendale 19 Home 524

### TRUSTEES' MEETING.

At a meeting of the Board Thursday, December 14, officers and members were all present.

### GLENDALE AVENUE IMPROVEMENT.

The request of Mr. H. H. Davenport to have the improvement of Glendale Avenue delayed until arrangements can be made for extending the improvement from the North line of Cerritos Avenue, prolonged across Glendale Avenue, southward past the schoolhouse grounds, Forest Lawn Cemetery and lands of the Richardson estate, to the San Fernando road, was taken up, and, after consideration, was granted—it being the understanding that Mr. Davenport and others interested obtain the co-operation of the school Trustees, the Forest Lawn Cemetery Association, and the Richardson estate in the improvement which is to consist of the filling and tamping of the driveway and the construction of a cement curb.

In this connection it was stated that Mr. Norton C. Wells, president of the Forest Lawn Cemetery Association had pledged his proportion of the expense of the improvement, and Trustee B. W. Richardson, pledging the share chargeable to the Richardson estate, it only remained to secure the co-operation of the school board to have the work go on. This Mr. Davenport engaged to secure.

### STREET AND HOUSE LIGHTING.

A communication from Arthur Campbell of the Glendale Light and Power Company proposing terms of transfer to the City of that Company's lighting system consisting of transformer, poles wires and meters of the appraised value of \$4,500 in the City and \$720 in the City of Los Angeles.

### TO REGULATE WATER RATES.

A resolution was adopted requiring the Tropico Water Company to furnish a detailed statement showing the name of each water rate payer, his place of residence and the amount paid for water by each water-rate payer, etc., together with an itemized statement of expenditures for supplying water during said time.

The object of the resolution is to obtain the necessary data for the regulation of water-rates.

A number of demands were read and referred to the Finance Committee. Adjourned.

### MALICIOUS MISCHIEF

A jury consisting of C. E. Moser, J. F. Peters, J. D. Stanton, J. L. Alden, H. M. Myres, A. J. Chappius, Dana Jennison, George W. Seward, M. Bonbard, W. B. Pratt, and W. H. Bullis, was called in Recorder Shuey's court last Tuesday, to pass upon the guilt or innocence of Rex Rhodes of the offense of malicious mischief.

The charge was proceeded by John Richardson of the District Attorney's office.

Dwight Stephenson and Owen Rhodes conducted the defense.

It was shown by the testimony that the defendant was seen with a "bunch of kids" in front of Mr. E. L. Young's place, two or three of whom admitted participating in setting off a few charges of gas they generated from carbide and water in the range tank used as a sign by Mr. Young. But the jury were not convinced that the offense of malicious mischief was proven against the young man, a verdict of acquittal was returned.

### HIGH SCHOOL ITEMS

#### HAROLD H. STORY.

Our debating team defeated the Santa Monica team in the High School Auditorium last Friday evening. The same evening our negative team was defeated by the Santa Monica affirmative at Santa Monica. However, the score at the home debate was sufficient to cover the loss and still give us the decision by a comfortable margin. We regard it as a good omen to be able to re-enter the debating league with such a victory. A Glendale speaker took first honors in both debates.

Our boys' basketball team defeated South Pasadena High in a hard fought and close game last Saturday.

Mr. Moyle acted as a judge in the L. A. Polytechnic-San Diego debate, last Wednesday.

The German classes of the school celebrated Christmas with a German banquet and festival last Saturday.

## Notice to Taxpayers

Unpaid taxes due the City of Tropico become delinquent Tuesday, December 26, 1911, at 5:00 o'clock p. m. The penalty for non-payment on or before that date is ten per cent of the amount of the tax levied.

J. L. FISHBACK,

City Tax and License Collector, City of Tropico, California.

The young mens Baraca Class of the Presbyterian Church ask you to SUBSCRIBE to any of the following publications, the PROFIT from the sale goes to the SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDING FUND of the Tropico Presbyterian Church.

TROPICO SENTINEL.....\$1.00 per Year  
GLENDALE NEWS.....1.50 per Year  
LADIES HOME JOURNAL.....1.50 per Year  
SATURDAY EVENING POST.....1.50 per Year  
YOUTHS COMPANION.....1.75 per Year  
after Jan. 1st, 1912.....2.00 per Year  
THE AMERICAN BOY.....1.00 per Year

The FULL amount of the subscription price of the TROPICO SENTINEL, and from 30 per cent to 75 per cent of all the others goes to the building fund.

We also offer the following Clubs:

Tropico Sentinel.....\$1.00  
Ladies Home Journal.....1.50  
American Boy.....1.75 All for.....\$3.00  
Glendale News.....3.50  
Ladies Home Journal.....1.50  
American Boy.....1.00 All for.....\$3.50

Tropico Sentinel.....\$4.00  
Ladies Home Journal.....\$1.00  
Youths Companion.....1.75 All for.....\$3.75  
Glendale News.....\$4.25  
Ladies Home Journal.....\$1.50  
Youths Companion.....1.75 All for.....\$4.25

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### MEMBERS OF THE BARACA CLASS

Tropico California.

#### SEND THEM YOUR ORDERS

Dwight Stephenson, 223 Central Ave.

Harry Marple, 149 Palmer Ave.

Harold Story, Tropico Drug Store.

Hurbert Harrison, 311 W. Tenth.

Allen Davenport, 301 N. Glendale Ave.

Harry Hayward, 260 S. Brand Boulevard.

Hall McNatt, 120 W. Cypress st.

Samuel Rich, 220 W. Cypress st.

Austin Edwards, 102, S. San Fernando road.

Francis Griswold, 203 N. San Fernando Road.

Raymond Barker, 115 S. Glendale Ave.

Clarence Verry, 306 N. San Fernando Road.

Wallace Kramer, 411 E. Tenth st.

I. S. Brown 214 E. Tenth st.

Don Hamilton, 527 E. Tenth st.

Edward Horter, Prospect Park.

Emmons Burch, Sentinel Office.

Edgar S. Ayres, 635 W. Park Ave.

### TO FIX WATER RATES.

Act 4348, of the General Laws of the State, authorizes, empowers and requires the Board of Trustees of Tropico to annually fix the rates to be charged for furnishing water to the inhabitants of the City by the Tropico Water Company.

To this end the City Board has called upon the Tropico Water Company for the necessary data,—a detailed statement showing the name of each water-rate payer and also showing all revenue derived from all sources, together with an itemized statement of expenditures made for supplying water during said time.

With these statements before them the Trustees will proceed to fix a rate for water service that will afford the Company a reasonable compensation for the same, and, it is believed will greatly reduce the present rate.

The Company's principal source of revenue is the sale of water of Verdugo canyon of which the company holds, or held the 1st of June last, some 20 miners inches or 1,340,000 cubic feet per month, in trust for the use of the inhabitants of Tropico.

At that time the meter services amounted to 500, in round numbers, which on an average of 500 cubic

feet per meter a month is 250,000 cubic feet per month, leaving over a million cubic feet in excess of the quantity required for meter service to the inhabitants of Tropico. The sale of this excess of 1,000,000 cubic feet per month constitute a part of the resources of Tropico Water Company.

With these figures as a basis of estimating the Water Company's revenue, we would have from 500 services to Tropico rate-payers, at \$1.50 per month, \$750.00. From 2000 services to outside rate payers at \$1.50 per month, \$3,000.00. Total per month, \$3,750.00 or \$45,000.00 a year.

It is quite apparent from this calculation that the Tropico Water Company is selling the water it holds in trust for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of Tropico for enough to justify it not only in furnishing them free water but in carrying a snug sum to a sinking fund. The matter is at least worth investigating.

Mr. D. D. MacDonald, District Manager for the Royal Highlanders is making a large success of his order, having 24 applications in less than a week. The Highlanders is an American order. Wrighting insurance both men and women may join.

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Vice-President B. W. RICHARDSON  
Cashier JOHN A. LOGAN

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DAN CAMPBELL B. W. RICHARDSON  
NORTON C. WELLS ANDY STEPHENSON  
W. H. BULLIS

### OPENED FOR BUSINESS ONE YEAR COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Nov. 10, 1910	Nov. 10, 1911
Loans \$30,100.00	Loans \$65,700.00
Cash 19,300	Cash 30,000.00
Expense 770.00	Profits 2,400.00
Deposits 34,000.00	Deposits 92,900.00
	Banking House 9,000.00

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We sell Gas Flat Irons, Mantles, Globes, Gas Hose and other supplies. Before going elsewhere

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Of dainty toilet aids and articles is the handsomest you have ever seen. If you choose from them for your gifts you can be sure your offering will be delightfully received. There are too many suitable gifts in the display to be described here. Just come, see, admire and choose.

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## Notice of Bond Election

ORDINANCE NO. 32

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF TROPICO, CALIFORNIA, ON THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 1911, AND SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE SAID CITY THE PROPOSITION OF INCURRING AN INDEBTEDNESS IN THE SUM OF TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND COMPLETING BY SAID CITY OF TROPICO OF THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT, TO-WIT: ELECTRIC LIGHT WORKS; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF BONDS THEREFOR, AND FOR THE LEVY OF A TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; DESIGNATING THE ELECTION PRECINCT AND POLLING PLACE, AND APPOINTING THE ELECTION OFFICERS FOR SAID ELECTION.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropic do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropic, California, at a regular meeting thereof, held November 16th, 1911, by a vote of two-thirds of all its members duly passed and adopted a resolution determining that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition, construction and completion by said City of Tropic of a certain municipal improvement, to-wit: Electric Light works, and

Whereas, said Resolution was approved by the executive of said City, to-wit: The President of said Board of Trustees, on said 16th day of November, 1911, at said meeting of said Board, and was duly published on the 23rd day of November 1911, in the Tropic Interurban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published and circulated in said City of Tropic, and was also printed and posted in at least three public places in said City of Tropic, as directed in said resolution, and

Whereas, the estimated cost of said municipal improvements is Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars, and such cost is, and will be, too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of said City.

Section 2. Now therefore, a special election is hereby called to be held in the said City of Tropic, on the 22nd day of December, 1911, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City the proposition of incurring a debt for the purpose set forth in said resolution, and hereinafter stated.

Section 3. That the object and purpose for which said indebtedness is proposed to be incurred is for the acquisition, construction and completion by said City of Tropic of a certain municipal improvement, to-wit: Electric Light Works. That the estimated cost of such proposed public improvement is Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars; that the amount of the principal of the indebtedness to be incurred therefor is the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars, and that the rate of interest to be paid on said indebtedness is five per cent per annum. That if the proposition of incurring the indebtedness for said purpose so submitted at such election receives the requisite number of votes, to-wit: two-thirds of the votes of all the voters voting at such special election, bonds of said City to the amount of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars shall be issued and sold for said purpose.

Said Bonds shall be Forty (40) in number, and shall be issued in the denomination of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars each, and the principal and interest thereof shall be payable in lawful money of the United States. They shall be dated January 2nd, 1912 and bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the 2nd day of July, and on the 2nd day of January of every year.

Said Forty (40) Bonds shall be payable in the manner following:

One of the said Bonds shall be paid on the 2nd day of January, 1912, and one of said Bonds on the same day and date of each and every year thereafter, at the City Treasury of said City, together with the interest on all sums unpaid at such date.

Section 4. That for the purpose of paying the principal and interest on such bonds the Board of Trustees of said City shall at the time of fixing the general tax levy, and in the manner for such general tax levy provided, levy and collect annually, each year, until said bonds are paid, or until there shall be a sum in the treasury of said City set apart for that purpose sufficient to meet all sums coming due for principal and interest on such bonds, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such bonds, and also such part of the principal thereof as shall become due before the time for fixing the next general tax levy.

Said tax shall be in addition to all other taxes levied for municipal purposes, and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other municipal taxes are collected, and be used for no other purposes than the payment of said bonds and accruing interest.

Section 5. The polls for said election shall be opened at six o'clock of the morning of the day of election, and must be kept open until six o'clock of the afternoon of said day, when the polls shall be closed; provided, however, that if, at the hour of closing, there are any other voters in the polling place or in line at the door, who are qualified to vote, and have not been able to do so since appearing, the polls shall be kept open a sufficient time to enable them to vote. But no one who shall arrive at the polling place after six o'clock in the afternoon shall be entitled to vote, although the polls may be open when he arrives.

The ballots to be used at said election shall be printed in the following form:

To vote on the proposition of incurring a debt for the purpose specified in such proposition, stamp a cross (X) in the voting square after the word "Yes" or after the word "No". All marks, except the cross (X) are

forbidden. All distinguishing marks or erasures are forbidden and make the ballot void.

If you wrongly stamp, tear or deface this ballot, return it to the inspector of election and obtain another.

Shall the City of Tropic incur a bonded debt of \$20,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and completing by said City of Tropic of Electric Light Works?	Yes	No

The voter at such election shall mark his ballot by stamping in the appropriate voting square a cross (X) opposite the answer he desires to give. Such cross shall be made with a stamp.

Section 6. That for the holding of such election said City of Tropic shall be, and is hereby consolidated into one municipal election precinct, the boundaries of which said precinct shall be, and are, hereby fixed as the exterior boundaries of the City of Tropic, and the polling place shall be, and is, hereby located at the City Hall, at junction of Central Avenue and San Fernando Road, in said City of Tropic, and the Board of election for such special election is hereby appointed as follows.

Inspectors: Wesley H. Bullis, E. L. Young.

Judges: Joe McEeters, Andy Stephenson.

Clerks: Abraham B. Noble, Wm. B. Pratt.

Ballot Clerks: John W. Stanton, Albert P. Hart.

And the above named persons are hereby appointed to such offices respectively and their compensation shall be \$3.00 each, for all services.

Section 7. That in all particulars not recited in this ordinance such election shall be held as provided by law for holding municipal elections in said City.

Section 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Board of Trustees of said City, and its approval by the President of said Board, and shall cause said ordinance to be published once a week for two weeks in the Tropic Interurban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published less than six days a week in said City of Tropic, and he shall cause the same to be printed and posted, in at least three public places in said City, to-wit:

One copy upon the bulletin board at the entrance to the office of the Board of Trustees of said City above mentioned, and

One copy upon the bulletin board at the entrance to the Post Office of said City of Tropic, located at southwest corner of San Fernando Road and Central Avenue, in said City, and

One copy upon the bulletin board at the southeast corner of Brand Boulevard and Tropic Avenue in said City, and thereupon and thereafter it shall take effect and be in full force.

Adopted and approved this 29th day of November, 1911.

C. C. RITTENHOUSE,

President of the Board of Trustees of The City of Tropic.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

S. M. STREET, City Clerk of the City of Tropic.

State of California, County of Los Angeles, City of Tropic, ss.

I, S. M. STREET, City Clerk of the City of Tropic do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropic is five, and that the foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted by a vote of two-thirds of all its members and approved by the President of said Board at a regular adjourned meeting thereof held on the 29th day of November, 1911, and that the same was passed by the following vote, to-wit:

Ayes: Bancroft, Richardson, Rittenhouse and Webster.

Noes: None.

Absent: Hobbs.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Tropic this 29th day of November, 1911.

S. M. STREET,

City Clerk of the City of Tropic.

(SEAL)

INCUBATION SECRETS

Some wonderful discoveries have been recently made in this field, the most important being a new regulator for automatically controlling Heat, Moisture and Ventilation.

The Geo. H. Lee Company of 225 West Second street, Los Angeles, Cal., has just published a new incubator book that covers all of these new ideas fully, and which will be sent free to any interested person on request.

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San Fernando Road Tropico, Cal.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

At the regular meeting of the Woman's Civic League of Caca Verdugo the following resolutions were unanimously passed to wit: (1) Resolved that the good of this community demands, in the case of annexation to Glendale, that the north boundary line shall run through the Thom and Ross ranches far enough north of the "Wash" to give to a street outlet to the Verdugo road. (2) That if Messrs Thom and Ross shall dedicate to the public the bed of the "Wash" and also the street across their ranches we will not insist on including any more of their land than is necessary to protect our rights in the connecting street and "Wash." We desire to be fair, but demand reciprocity therein. (3) That a mass meeting of all voters in the proposed annexation district be called for an early day at the M. E. church to devise ways and means for protecting our important rights now threatened by the line fixed south of the "Wash" by hostile interests.

## TOURNAMENT OF ROSES.

Special cars will leave Glendale for the Tournament of Roses to be held in Pasadena January 1, 1912. The cars will leave Glendale at 6:40, 7:20 and 8:40 a. m.

## WANTED MEN'S HATS

Leave your old hat with O. E. Burch, Sentinel Office, and have it made to look like new. Everything look like new. Everything in men's hats cleaned and blocked. Satisfaction guaranteed.

FOR SALE—Aa a bargain fully equipped pianola, also a silver plated B. flat cornet; Imported from France. Will make a fine Christmas present. Call at 924 South Glendale avenue.

## NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEET ING.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Bank of Tropic will be held at the Banking room Tuesday, January 9, 1912 at 3:30 p. m.

Dan Campbell, President.



VISOR LODGE K. O. F. E. No. 293  
Tropico, Cal.  
meets every Monday at 8 p. m. sharp. Visiting Brothers always swell come. Meeting place, Logan's Hall, San Fernando Road. P. H. Davis, K. of R. & S.

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Subscribe for the Home paper, Tropico Interurban Sentinel. \$1.00 per year.

How about that hat you want cleaned? See O. E. Burch at the Sentinel office or Phone 24-R.

You get what you ask for at the Mission Restaurant, 114 So. San Fernando Rd.

It pays to advertise in the Sentinel. Phone 24-R.

Blue Blood shoes and other makes at Jones' Shoe Shop, San Fernando Road.

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City Office

Trust and Savings Building

Los Angeles

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# Bethlehem Town

By EUGENE FIELD

AS I was going to Bethlehem town  
Upon the earth I cast me down,  
All underneath a little tree  
That whispered in this wise to me:  
"Oh, I shall stand on Calvary  
And bear what burthen saveth thee!"

As up I fared to Bethlehem town  
I met a shepherd coming down,  
And thus he quoth: "A wondrous sight  
Hath spread before mine eyes this night,  
An angel host most fair to see,  
That sung full sweetly of a tree  
That shall uplift on Calvary  
What burthen saveth you and me."

And as I gat to Bethlehem town,  
Lo, wise men came that bore a crown.  
"Is there," cried I, "in Bethlehem  
A King shall wear this diadem?"  
"Good sooth," they quoth, "and it is he  
That shall be lifted on the tree  
And freely shed on Calvary  
What blood redeemeth us and thee."

Unto a Child in Bethlehem town  
The wise men came and brought the crown,  
And, while the infant smiling slept,  
Upon their knees they fell and wept,  
But with her babe upon her knee,  
Naught recked that Mother of the tree  
That should uplift on Calvary  
What burthen saveth all and me.

Again I walk in Bethlehem town  
And think on him that wears the crown.  
I may not kiss his feet again  
Nor worship him as I did then.  
My King hath died upon the tree  
And hath outpoured on Calvary  
What blood redeemeth you and me.



The Late Eugene Field.

## OBSERVING CHRISTMAS.

How One Family Made the Holiday Pleasant and Profitable.

IN many childless homes in this country no preparations are being made to observe Christmas with its old fashioned customs and traditions. But in Germany, the historic home of the Christmas tree and the source of many current Christmas customs and devices, in no home, from palace to hovel, however old or poor, are the members without their Christmas tree at Yuletide. Where there are no children it is a beautiful sight to see gray haired old men and women, with perhaps their married sons and daughters and grandchildren, standing around, greeting with undisguised delight their well laden fir tree. It is an essential part of their Christmas and would not be Christmas without it.

In a refined American home in a small city a few years ago much enjoyment was derived from a Christmas celebrated in childish style by a family of adults. During the preceding year a son-in-law and a daughter-in-law had been added to the family group, and the other members were a father, a mother, a dear old maiden aunt, the two married children, two unmarried grownup sons and their one sister. A real Christmas tree was purchased, and the women folk trimmed it with popcorn, tinsel, candles and all the rest of the paraphernalia required for a genuine old fashioned Christmas tree.

On Christmas morning the household assembled, and, catching the infection of the occasion, all sat on the floor around the tree to receive their presents from a bona fide Santa Claus. Among the first packages distributed were some made to recall funny happenings of the year just passed, which had been selected in order to create merriment. Screams of laughter greeted the opening of a package labeled with the bride's name, which was found to contain a large leather medal inscribed with the following: "For patience in making apple jelly." As a novice in the culinary department she had struggled time and again with the task of making this delectable dish. To her husband went a small slide trombone, because in his boyhood days he had aspirations toward learning to play that instrument, practicing on a large one of the ear spitting type.

To the maiden aunt, an enthusiastic admirer of Shakespeare and a member of several clubs devoted to "readings," a plaster of Paris bust of Willie was awarded. One of the boys had taken a pleasure trip south a few months before, accompanied by a valuable camera. He had left it on the steamboat dock when he embarked and never recovered it. To him was given a photograph of a beautiful camera cut from an advertisement page of a popular magazine. To the father, a min-

ister of the gospel and high up in ecclesiastical circles, a toy watch—just a gentle reminder of the length of his sermons. The mother's early days had been spent on a farm. Occasionally she had been known to grow homesick for a familiar sight of something resembling farm life, and she had recently purchased a few chickens, which she housed in the extreme end of the back yard, much to the disgust of the daughter of the house. To her was given a toy rooster with a real "crow." The son-in-law received a dime bank, to indicate that his responsibilities and increased, and the other and younger brother rose colored glasses, to remind him of his visionary ideas. To the single sister who had been "out" several seasons a ring with a solitary stone of real glass was given. After these had been distributed the handsome and real gifts of the day were exchanged, and it was a jolly, happy crowd which filed into the dining room to enjoy the feast which had been in course of preparation.

During the following year the father departed this life, followed within a short space of time by the married son. The surviving members have the memory of that delightful Christmas when they were all together.

**On Christmas Morn.**  
They fared across the lonely plains,  
They dared the desert way,  
Above them moved the starry trains  
That rest not night or day.  
One star from out the splendor shone,  
A rift of heaven's own light.  
In fearless faith they followed on,  
Their eager faces bright.

Three kings were they of great renown,  
And from the east afar  
Until it stood o'er Bethlehem town  
They journeyed by the star.  
It stood above a cattle shed,  
And there its light grew dim.  
To heaven's own Child the star had led,  
Its glory faded for him.

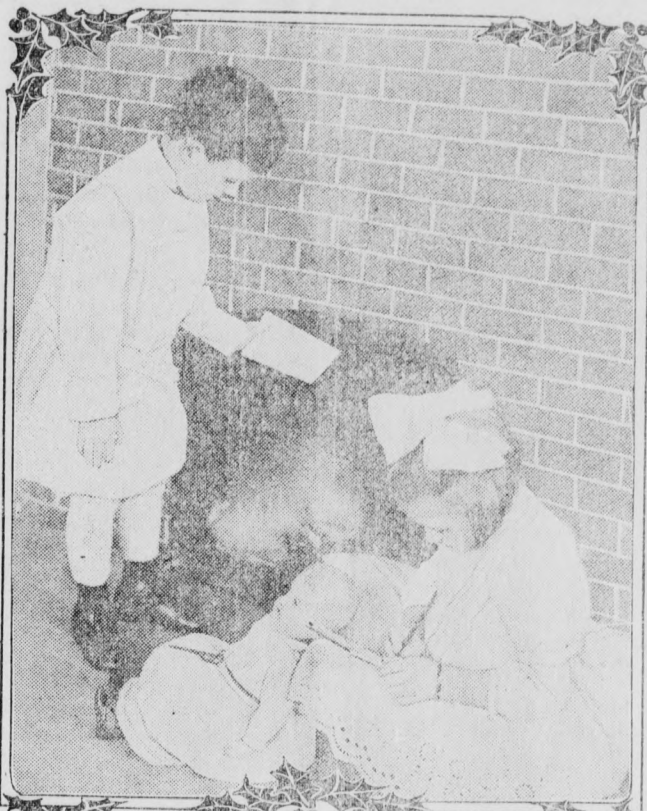
**Immanuel! A little Child**  
That very day newborn.  
They knelt before the undefiled  
That earliest Christmas morn.  
Each head was bent to give him praise.  
Their incense, gold and myrrh  
They offered him in glad amaze  
Each humble worshiper.

What gifts have we for Christ today?  
We, too, have seen the star,  
And we have found the happy way  
To Bethlehem afar.  
Our gold, our myrrh, our incense sweet,  
Shall we not bring?  
Ah, let us haste to kiss his feet,  
The little Christ, our King!

**Salutation.**  
O night, O star, O land afar,  
In sweet surprise of glory  
Let shepherd train and angel strain  
Sing new your Christmas story!  
O dawn, O gift, O heaven arift,  
O Mary, mystic mother  
Of newborn Christ, keep ye my trust  
With every human brother!  
O door flung wide, O full footfall  
Of light and kindness meeting,  
Unto my friend this day outsend  
A joyous Christmas greeting!  
—J. B. E. in Lippincott's.

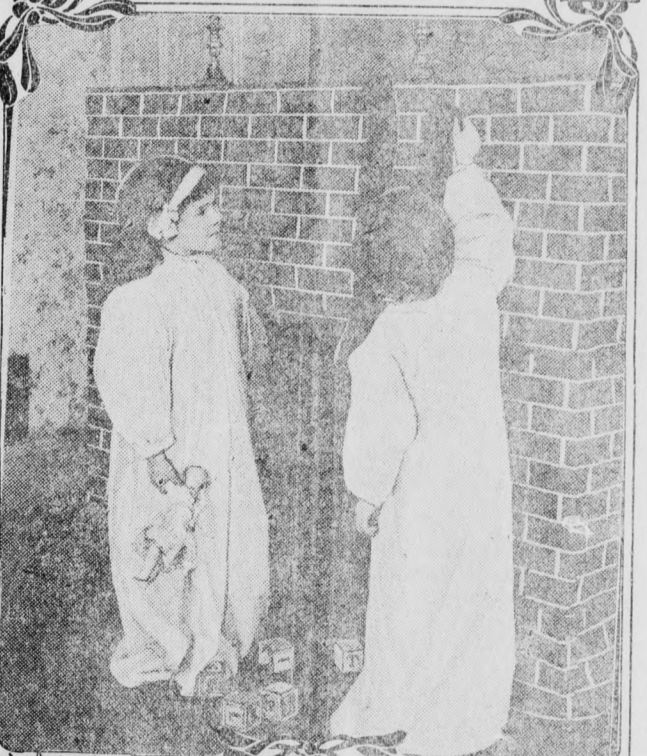
## THE THREE AGES OF CHRISTMAS.

By ROBERTUS LOVE.



### WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

With Dolly sweetly sleeping  
Before the blazing grate  
The little ones are keeping  
Their vigil very late.  
With many chirographic flaws  
They write their wants to Santa Claus.



### CHRISTMAS EVE.

Now long abed is Dolly,  
Because 'tis Christmas eve,  
But little Paul and Polly  
Are wide awake, believe!  
They cannot sleep nor dine nor sup  
Before they hang their stockings up.



### CHRISTMAS MORNING.

'Tis Christmas morning early,  
Yet these expectant tots  
(Now, don't you love them dearly?)  
Have risen from their cots,  
And even Dolly's eyes are wide  
To see the toys of Christmastide.

## His Christmas Caller

By Anna S. Richardson

THE store fairly radiated the Christmas spirit. Crimson bells swung from every chandelier. Ropes of evergreen draped all the shelving. The counters were strewn with Christmas cards, booklets and favors.

The man who had dropped in to buy lead points for his pocket pencil remained to pore over a stack of gift books bound in rare leather. Then he heard the voice. After that only his gaze was on the books. His interest was concentrated on the possessor of the voice.

"But you said such things were in great demand around the holidays, and



"I SHOULD LIKE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THOSE CARDS."

I have taken infinite pains with these. Please, please tell me what is wrong with them."

There was a note of tragedy in the rich contralto tones which, together with a beseeching glance from wonderful violet eyes, put to rout the rules and regulations of the astute buyer of Christmas novelties. His was a smart shop, and he had never vouchsafed explanation to struggling young artists whose work he declined to sell on commission, but now he picked up the little packets of plate and score cards, gay with holly, Santa Claus heads, etc.

"Let me explain," he said. "These are not novelties. They are the same style of cards used in the past twenty years, with the same decorations. Women who can afford to pay the prices demanded for hand painted novelties want something new. See this poinsettia blossom—not painted on a card, but cut in the shape of the blossom itself—and this funny, bulging stocking, overflowing with faces of pretty girls, for a bachelor. They are catchy, the sort of things my customers want. Your work is neat, but not novel."

"Thank you," the girl said bravely. "I understand now, and it is too late for me to try my hand at novelties. But perhaps you will keep my cards, and I—well, your novelties might not go around, and then perhaps some late customer might buy mine after all."

"Certainly. I will be glad to keep them in reserve. Your name and address—oh, yes, I remember—Miss Sylvia Leigh, the Grant studios. I will do my best for you."

Nevertheless as the girl slipped through the door he opened a deep drawer under the counter and dropped the cards out of sight. It would never do to display those old fashioned bits of pasteboard among the novelties which appealed to his fashionable trade. And then very suddenly the man who had been engrossed in leather bound gift books stepped up to the counter.

"One minute, please. I should like to take a look at those cards you just bought from the young lady."

The astonished manager of the store glanced from the well groomed man with fine brown eyes and iron gray hair to the more expensive novelties in the showcase.

"The ones you just bought from the young lady," repeated the customer serenely.

"Certainly," responded the manager hastily, and he spread forth the despised bits of pasteboard. The work was dainty, but utterly commonplace.

"Just what my sister would like—conservative sort of woman my sister is—don't go in for newfangled ideas. I'll take those—three dozen. Not enough! Do you suppose the girl could do two dozen more by the day before Christmas? If she can, send 'em to me, James Macy, at Marquette. I'll take these with me."

And almost before he could realize what had happened the manager was actually gaping, open mouthed, after this eccentric customer whose sister was to give a dinner party of sixty covers on Christmas day and intrusted the buying of such important articles as dinner favors to an obviously inexperienced bachelor brother.

Christmas eve was frosty and starlit. James Macy, coming home from his office, smiled somewhat grimly at the holiday preparations made.

Holly and evergreens there were in plenty, great wreaths with massive

bows of satin ribbon, a bowl filled with scarlet poinsettia blooms, and on one table an orderly stack of parcels evidently sent by express, mail and messenger to the popular but elusive bachelor, for elusive he was dubbed by matchmaking mothers.

"A young lady to see you, sir," remarked his man impassively.

James Macy took the card. "Miss Sylvia Leigh," ran its legend. She came to him, looking taller than the day in the shop, for her head was held high.

"You will pardon my coming here on Christmas eve and unchaperoned. I could not leave town without seeing you." The violet eyes had turned almost black; the contralto voice was a bit too even in its tones.

"I am honored," replied James Macy gravely, and he offered her a chair, which she declined with a wave of her gloved hand.

"It was hard enough to know that the man who bought my foolish little paintings did it through a sense of pity, but to learn that he was also the man who wrecked my mother's life—that—that was too much. I have come to return your money and ask the return of my cards if you have not already destroyed them."

"My dear girl," expostulated the man, who had turned strangely white.

"Please do not interrupt me," continued the girl passionately. "My mother's brother—perhaps you remember him—Henry Johnson, is here. He went to the shop and found out where my cards had gone and—Oh, it is such a miserable little farce to you, a successful man! I thought I could be an artist. They told me so at home. Against uncle's wishes I came here to make my little fight and failed. When you bought those things I thought perhaps—but uncle, who wanted me to go home, sifted the story to the bottom and found—you. I am going home with him tonight."

"Miss Leigh, I want to beg a favor of you. This is Christmas eve, and I am a lonely, desolate man. If ever the Christmas message of peace and good will means anything it is tonight and I want your good will. Those little Christmas cards you painted are the only touch of real Christmas that has come into my life—and I want to keep them—and tell you why I want to keep them. Will you be seated?"

"You say I wrecked your mother's life. Well, then, know that hers was not long. My season of regret and penitence has lasted longer than you have lived. I loved your mother, but I did not understand her. I went out into the world to make a fortune, not for myself, but for her, and I thought that the fortune must come first and love's dream afterward. With women it is different. The dream must come first—the fortune is a secondary consideration. Your mother (God bless her memory) thought I had forgotten—that I did not care—and so she passed out of my life and into your father's."

"But she had you. I had nothing, nothing but money and the memory of one happy summer of her life. I never expected to know what peace and happiness meant again until that day in the store, when your eyes, your voice—I thought it was the other Sylvia, my Sylvia, come to life. And I bought those cards because you painted them."

"And now you come to me in anger and take from me my one Christmas



"I AM HONORED," REPLIED JAMES MACY.

happiness—the work of your hands. Sylvia, Sylvia, haven't I paid my debt of repentance? Can you not extend forgiveness—Christmas forgiveness—in your mother's name?"

Sylvia turned toward the door. "I must go now. We are leaving on the 9 o'clock train. Uncle is waiting for me downstairs in a cab. We are going home."

"Home!" The man echoed the word mechanically, dully.

The girl hesitated, then held out her hand.

"Yes, back to dear old Hestonville. Why don't you come too? Why don't you run out tomorrow—for dinner?"

"Sylvia, child, do you mean it? Do you understand that if I come it will be—to see you?"

Bravely the violet eyes were raised to meet the searching look in the brown ones.

"Is it peace and good will for me, Sylvia?"

"Yes—and merry Christmas if you come tomorrow."



